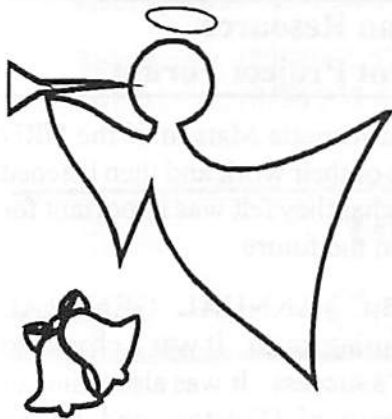


Literacy B.C. NEWSLETTER

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*Literacy B.C.
would like to wish you all a very
Merry Christmas and hope that
the New Year brings
peace, joy, and happiness!*



NEWS FROM LITERACY B.C.

I was looking back at old Literacy B.C. Newsletters and discovered that I made excuses a year ago for taking too long to get a Newsletter completed. We have the same good excuses this year.....and Janice and I are making a New Year's resolution to get the Newsletter published on a more regular basis! Once again - thank you for your patience.

This issue includes the Literacy B.C. 1991-1992 Annual Report. Our organization continues to grow. The support from donors, sponsors and members is wonderful and shows that you care deeply about literacy. A warm and special thank you to everyone for your support, encouragement and commitment.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

Linda



A CARIBOO EXPERIENCE

Literacy B.C. Regional Conference and Annual General Meeting was held at Cariboo College, Williams Lake, B.C. on September 19, 1992.

Sixty people from across the province came to the Conference. Workshops were held in the morning and afternoon. The workshops were:

Tutor Training

This day long session was presented by Audrey Thomas, Mardi Joyce, Sandi Lavallie, Bob Gadsby and Paula Davies.

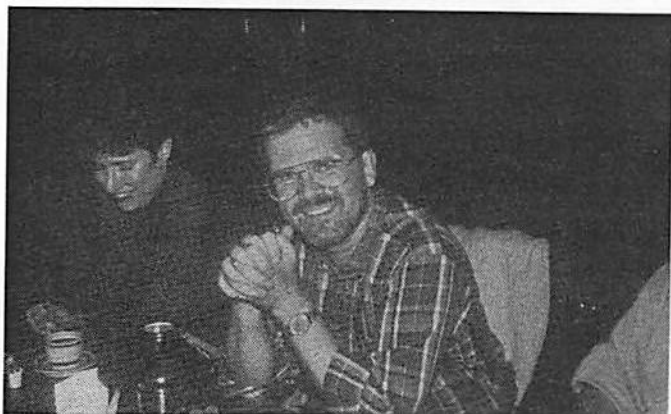
Participants had a chance to talk about their needs, to share resources and to learn new skills and techniques.

Plain Language

Phil Knight gave this workshop and people learned more about how to use plain language and why it is important.



Literacy B.C. President LEE WEINSTEIN thanking retiring board member MARY HUMPHRIES at Literacy B.C. Annual General Meeting.



LINDA HACKETT, Adult Literacy Contact Centre Coordinator and retiring board member THOMAS QUIGLEY at Springhouse Ranch.



Board members (l to r) ERNA BARWICH, HONG NGO, MICHAEL BOOKER and FERN SENIOR at Springhouse Trails Guest Ranch.

Human Resource Development Project Forum

Dr. Paul Gallagher and Jeanette Matson of the HRD Project gave an outline of their work and then listened to learners talk about what they felt was important for adult basic education in the future.

THE LITERACY B.C. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held during lunch. It was a chance to celebrate the past year's success. It was also a time to welcome the new Board of Directors and to say THANK YOU to the following Directors who retired:

RANJIT DIWANA	MAVIS HENRY
MARY HUMPHRIES	THOMAS QUIGLEY
LYNN HUNTER	MARY ALICE JOHNSON
CECIL SCOTT	JUDY WEARMOUTH

The proposed Constitution/Bylaws changes that were published in the July 1992 Newsletter were passed unanimously.

Following the Conference, Sal Demare took people on a tour of a local sawmill. That evening everyone had dinner at the Springhouse Trails Guest Ranch, 12 miles outside of Williams Lake. A wonderful ending to our Cariboo experience! The participants list is available. Call the Literacy BC office.

COST SHARED PROJECTS 1993-94

Patty Bossort will be the liaison person again this year for Cost Shared Projects. If you plan to apply for a Cost Shared Project, Patty would like to talk to you. Please call her at 876-3780, before you submit your application.

DEADLINE FOR 1993-94 COST SHARED PROJECTS IS FEBRUARY 1, 1993.

MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO:

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1993 PROVINCIAL LEARNERS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Literacy B.C. is proud to be hosting this exciting event!
The Conference will be

**June 14-18, 1993
COLUMBIA BIBLE CAMP
(near Cultus Lake, B.C.)**

This Conference is for learners from all across B.C. There will be workshops, discussion groups and FUN! The Learners Committee who are organizing this conference are: Fern Senior, Patricia Abe, Rita Mandryk, Ken Reich, Erna Barwich, Grant Richards and Lynn Hunter.

There is enough money to pay for at least 60 learners to come. The Committee will be deciding about how to choose the participants ... and looking for sponsors so that even more learners can attend.

Recently the committee sent a questionnaire to learners across the province about the kinds of workshops they would like to have at the Conference. There has been over 300 replies! THANK YOU to everyone who sent in their questionnaire. There will be more news about the Conference soon.

1992 Learner Events Report

Thank you to everyone who sent us reports about their events! A report of the 28 Learner Events is now available and is a wonderful little book. Just call or Fax the Literacy B.C. office and we will send you a copy.



NOTICE OF ELECTION

Unfortunately, the Literacy B.C. Board of Directors has received resignations from two Regional Representatives, Sandi Lavallie (Northwest) and Joan Acosta (Capilano).

Please send us names of people that you would like to nominate for Regional Representatives in:

1. Northwest
2. Capilano

A nomination form is enclosed.

**WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THAT GRANT RICHARDS HAS BEEN
ELECTED AS THE REGIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE FOR
VANCOUVER, REPLACING
MARY WADDINGTON.**

WHO WE ARE

Literacy B.C., founded in March 1990, is a coalition of people and groups concerned with promoting literacy in B.C.

Our mission is to promote literacy, to support literacy learners, to develop community partnerships and to present a united voice on literacy. We are supported by Multiculturalism and Citizen Canada, National Literacy Secretariat, memberships and donations.

Literacy B.C. welcomes your news and comments. Send to:

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We reserve the right to edit all submissions.

FAX or mail your nominations by **January 8, 1993** to:

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Elections will be by mail. Ballots will be sent to Literacy B.C. members in these two regions, **JANUARY 8, 1993** and must be returned by **JANUARY 23, 1993**. Thank you for helping us to fill these positions.

PRACTITIONER DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP

1992 Survey Report

The Adult Basic Education Association of B.C. and Literacy B.C. with funding from the National Literacy Secretariat, conducted a working session in Prince Rupert, April 1991, on Instructor Accreditation. As a result, the Literacy/ABE Instructor Accreditation/Task Force, a free standing working committee, was established to further investigate and document work on this issue. This evolved into the Practitioner Development Group with its focus on hiring practices and professional development activities.

The questionnaire for 'paid literacy practitioners' was developed by group members and distributed at the Houston Northern Literacy Conference and the Harrison ABE Conference, both in 1992.

A total of 50 survey forms were returned from the two Conferences. Copies of the survey results are available from the Literacy B.C. office. Call 687-5077 or FAX: 687-5076.

